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**Introduction**

East Greenwich is the most affluent town currently in Kent County, Rhode Island. It is known for its waterfront and downtown business district. The town was originally founded as Greenwich in 1677, for Greenwich, England. In this statement, we will be discussing the community of East Greenwich, particularly the economics and demographics of the town. In addition to this we will be discussing the district of East Greenwich, particularly the school systems student exam scores, and qualifications. Looking at the East Greenwich High School, we will also be discussing the student characteristics such as graduation rates and attendance. Our audience for this includes teachers who need jobs, as well as community taxpayers and parents.

**Community Background**

East Greenwich, Rhode Island has a household and family income that is concluded to be extremely affluent. The income levels here are almost double that of the rest of Rhode Island and the United States as a whole. In fact, the town’s population below the poverty level is less than 33% that of the national average. East Greenwich is a primarily white town, more so than the rest of Rhode Island and the Nation by about 13% and 20%, respectively. Clearly it is not an extremely diverse community. East Greenwich’s child population only makes up 1.5% of Rhode Island, despite being a sizeable area. Their affluence could be partly attributed to this shockingly low number. Families with children are economically well off, with only 1% in need of cash assistance. The rest of Rhode Island stands at 4%. That percentage carries over to the school breakfast program, but the Rhode Island average for that is a high 22%. Children here are relatively healthy and safe. Only 519 received medical assistance of any kind, compared to Rhode Island’s 104,532. In total, 5 kids were abused for every 1,000. This s only a third of what other children in the state go through. In East Greenwich, children on average get a better education and are much more behaved than their surrounding communities.

**COMMUNITY**

**Selected Economic Characteristics 2009-2013 Table**

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|  | **Your Community** | **Rhode Island** | **US** |
| **Median household income** | $96,438 | $56,361 | $53,046 |
| **Median family income** | $128,836 | $72717 | $63719 |
| **Per capita income** | $57,628 | $30,469 | $28,155 |
| **All families below poverty level** | 4.1% | 9.6% | 11.3% |
| **All people below the poverty level** | 5.0% | 13.6% | 15.4% |

**Demographic and Housing Estimates 2009-2013**

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|  | **Your Community** | **Rhode Island** | **US** |
| **White** | 94.2% | 81.4% | 74% |
| **Black/African Americans** | 2.1% | 6.3% | 12.6% |
| **Asian** | 1.6% | 3.1% | 4.9% |
| **Hispanic or Latino** | 1.9% | 12.9% | 16.6% |
| **American or Alaska Native** | 0.2% | 0.4% | 0.8% |

**Education**

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|  | **Your Community** | **Rhode Island** |
| **Children Enrolled in Early Head Start** | 1 | 527 |
| **Children enrolled in Head Start** | 6 | 2,295 |
| **Children enrolled in State Pre-K** | 0 | 306 |
| **Public school enrollment (total)** | 2,412 | 141,959 |
| **Public school enrollment (% low-income)** | 6% | 47% |
| **Students who are English Language Learners** | <1% | 7% |
| **Chronic early absence in grades K-3** | 3% | 12% |
| **Chronic absence in high school** | 9% | 24% |
| **Suspension rate (per 100 students)** | 2 | 22 |
| **High School graduation rate** | 96% | 81% |

**DISTRIC**

**NECAP**

On NECAP Assessments East Greenwich scored significantly higher on all portions of the assessment then the state average. They were right about even with Barrington high school but averaged much better scores then Central Falls.

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| **NECAP Assessments** | **State** | **East Greenwich** | **Barrington** | **Central Falls** |
| **11th Grade Math** | 35% | 71% | 79% | 12% |
| **11th Grade Reading** | 81% | 95% | 97% | 53% |
| **11th Grade Writing** | 66% | 85% | 81% | 35% |
| **11th Grade Science** | 30% | 57% | 68% | 14% |

**Teaching: Qualifications and teacher-student ratio**

The scores on the NECAP could be attributed to the fact that East Greenwich has highly qualified teachers and the class size average relative to Barrington, Central Falls and the rest of the state.

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| **Qualifications and Teacher Student Ratio** | **State** | **East Greenwich** | **Barrington** | **Central falls** |
| **Classes Taught by Not Highly Qualified Teachers** | 1% | 0% | 0% | 4% |
| **Teachers with Emergency Certification** | 1% | 0% | 0% | 4% |
| **Teacher Student Ratio** | 1:14 | 1:17 | 1:14 | 1.1% |

**Student Characteristics**

East Greenwich really doesn’t have much diversity as far as ethnicity. Most students are white who come from well off families so many of the students do not need Bilingual education service or subsidized lunches. Students receiving special education services are close to the state average.

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| **Student Characteristics** | **State** | **East Greenwich** | **Barrington** | **Central falls** |  |
| **Student Eligibility for** | 47% | 6% | 4% | 79% |
| **subsidized lunch** |  |  |  |  |
| **Students from various** | White: 61% | 86% | 89% | 9% |
| **racial/ethnic backgrounds** | Hispanic:24 % | 5% | 2% | 74% |
|  | Black: 8% | 1% | 0% | 12% |
| Multiracial: 4% | 3% | 3% | 4% |
| Asian 6% | Asian: 6% | Asian: 5% |  |

**Attendance**

The attendance rate is very high at all levels of school with little chronic absenteeism.

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| **Attendance** | **State** | **East Greenwich** | **Barrington** | **Central falls** |
| Attendance Rate  Elementary Schools | 95% | 96% | 96% | 93% |
| Attendance Rate  Middle Schools | 94% | 97% | 96% | 92% |
| Attendance Rate  High Schools | 92% | 96% | 95% | 88% |
| Chronic  Absenteeism  Elementary Schools | 13% | 4% | 4% | 25% |
| Chronic  Absenteeism  Middle Schools | 15% | 5% | 6% | 27% |
| Chronic  Absenteeism | 24% | 9% | 7% | 40% |

**Incidents of suspension**

The suspensions are very low compared to the rest of the state especially Central Falls.

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| **Incidents of Suspension** | **State** | **East Greenwich** | **Barrington** | **Central Falls** |
| **Number of Incidents**  **Elementary School** | 2942 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| **Number of Incidents**  **Middle School** | 11981 | 29 | 11 | 429 |
| **Number of Incidents**  **High school** | 15867 | 27 | 56 | 126 |
| **1% of the entire states suspensions.** |  |

**Funding and Resources 2012-2013**

Total Per Pupil Spending is right around average with the rest of state and the Barrington and Central Falls districts. The District spends about $14, 987.

**HIGH SCHOOL**

**NECAP**

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**SAT Exams**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Mathematics Average (Out of 800)** | 484 | 598 | 588 | 425 |
| **Reading Average (Out of 800)** | 483 | 576 | 578 | 394 |
| **Writing Average (Out of 800)** | 471 | 582 | 566 | 404 |

**AP Exams**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Number of Exams Taken** | 7237 | 310 | 544 | 134 |
| **Number of Students to Take Exam** | 4390 | 138 | 294 | 94 |
| **Exams Scored at College-Level Mastery** | 4143 | 254 | 492 | 20 |
| **% Scored at College-Level Mastery** | 57% | 82% | 90% | 15% |

**Qualifications and Teacher-Student Ratio**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Teachers with Emergency Certification** | 1% | 0% | 0% | 4% |
| **Teacher-Student Ratio (Classroom Teachers)** | 1:14 | 1:17 | 1:14 | 1:14 |

**Student Characteristics**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Student eligibility for subsidized lunch** | 47% | 6% | 4% | 79% |
| **Students from Various Racial/Ethnic Backgrounds** |  |  |  |  |
| **Students Receiving ESL/Bilingual Education Services** | 7% | <1% | 1% | 24% |
| **Students Receiving Special Education Services** | 15% | 11% | 12% | 21% |

**Attendance**

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| **Attendance Rate High Schools** | 92% | 96% | 95% | 88% |
| **Chronic Absenteeism in High Schools** | 24% | 9% | 7% | 40% |

**Four-year Graduation Rate (Students entering grade 9 in 2009-10)**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Percent graduated within 4 years** | 80.7% | 95.6% | 93.7% | 71% |
| **Percent dropped out** | 8.0% | 1.1% | 1.1% | 12.9% |

**Five-year Graduation Rate (Students entering grade 9 in 2008-09)**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Percent graduated within 4 years** | 92.1% | 80.1% | 95.3% | 73% |
| **Percent graduated within 5 years** | 3.8% | 3.4% | 2.8% | 4.7% |

**Incidents of Suspension**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Number of Incidents High Schools** | 15.687 | 27 | 56 | 126 |

**Student Indicators**

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|  | **State** | **Your School** | **Barrington School** | **Central Falls School** |
| **Stability Index High Schools** | 86% | 97% | 97% | 75% |
| **Mobility Index High Schools** | 15% | 3% | 3% | 27% |

**Conclusion**

East Greenwich is an incredibly affluent community with great student characteristics of attendance and behavior. They come from very good families with financial stability. There is not much diversity in this community with more than 80% of the population being white. The district scores very well on standardized testing and academically seems to be at higher level than the rest of the state. Parents, teachers, students, and fellow residents of East Greenwich have a lot to be proud of. This community is flourishing and has been greatly successful academically.

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